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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: ) Group Art Unit: 1645  
SAID EL SHAMI )  
Serial No.: 09/036,819 ) Examining Attorney:  
Filed: March 9, 1998 ) S. Devi, Ph.D.  
For: METHOD FOR MEASURING FREE ) Date: December 1, 2003  
LIGANDS IN BIOLOGICAL ) Pasadena, California  
FLUIDS, AND ASSAY KITS )  
FOR MEASURING SAME )

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated November 14, 2003.